EMPLOYEE TRAINING RECORD

TRAINING TITLE Manual & Mechanical Vegetation Management and Landscape Maintenance

KEY TEACHING POINTS

HAZARDS

- **Utility lines**
- Unwieldy brush
- **Hidden objects**
- Poisonous plants
- Overcrowding of workers
- Chain saws

PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

- Hard hat
- Gloves
- **Hearing protection**

Eve protection

Noise

Safety boots/shoes

Moving traffic

Unstable ground

Sharp edged tools

Moving equipment

Thorns

Leg protection

SAFE OPERATING PROCEDURES

- Review safe practice rules for applicable equipment (including rental equipment) and perform pre-operational checks.
- Review work area protection and any traffic control requirements.
- Park in an area suitable for entering and exiting your vehicle which does not cause a hazard to yourself or others.
- Allow ample space for each employee to work safely. Do not "bunch" up.
- While on foot, make every effort to perform your work facing oncoming traffic.
- Employees should, when necessary, cut an opening in fencing to remove brush. Avoid climbing over fences.
- Hearing protection is required when using chain saws and chippers.
- Cut and stack brush in small pieces that are easily handled to avoid back injuries.
- Use appropriate mechanical means when moving large quantities of brush across drains and up slopes.
- Be aware of poisonous plants, animals, insects and snakes.
- Be aware of moving equipment in the work area
- Chain saw, chipper and hydraulic and pneumatic tools operators must be trained and qualified.
- Use caution when handling tools with sharp edges.
- Watch for tripping hazards and uneven ground.
- Keep proper clearance from overhead utility lines (at least 10 feet away). Do not cut limbs that may contact overhead utility lines.
- The use of worker leg protection (chaps, leggings, pants, etc.) Is required for all ground level chain saw operations. Locate underground utilities before digging
- Tree trimming involving climbing shall be performed by a qualified Tree Maintenance Worker.
- Trees over 4 inches in diameter at chest height and taller than 15 feet shall be felled by a qualified tree worker.

TEST

QUESTION		ANSWERS	
		TRUE	FALSE
1 Review safe practice rules for applicable equipment (including rental equipment) and perform pre-operational checks.			
2 Cut and stack brush in small pieces that are easily handled to avoid back injuries.			
3 Keep proper clearance from overhead utility lines (at least 10 feet away). Do not cut limbs that may contact overhead utility lines.			
4 Hearing protection is not required when using chain saws and chippers.			
5 Trees over 4 inches in diameter at chest height and taller than 15 feet shall be felled by a qualified tree worker.			
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SUPERVISOR'S NAME	SUPERVISOR'S SIGNATURE	DATE	